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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN, VS, TH

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: EXPLOSION ON AIR VIETNAM FLIGHT

REF: BANGKOK 13882

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF AIR TRANSPORTA-  
TION SECURITY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING AS MUCH OF IN-  
FORMATION REQUESTED BELOW AS CAN BE OBTAINED IN REGARD  
TO EXPLOSION ON AIR VIETNAM FLIGHT 767 SEPT 5, 1973  
(REFTEL):

- A) EXACT DATE AND TIME OF INCIDENT
- B) NUMBER OF PASSENGERS AND CREW
- C) DETAILS OF INJURIES
- D) TYPE OF AIRCRAFT
- E) CAUSE OF EXPLOSION; IF CAUSED BY BOMB,

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- 1) MILITARY DESIGNATION OF EXPLOSIVE DEVICE

IF APPLICABLE

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- 2) IF CIVILIAN EXPLOSIVE, TYPE OF POWER SOURCE  
(E.G.) BATTERY); TYPE OF INITIATOR (E G.,  
BLASTING CAP); EXPLOSIVE CHARGE TYPE (E.G.,  
TNT AMOUNTING 1 LB.)
- F) DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT
- G) ALTITUDE AT TIME OF EXPLOSION
- H) PRESSURE DIFFERENTIAL AT TIME OF EXPLOSION  
(DIFFERENCE IN CABIN ALTITUDE AND AIRCRAFT AL-  
TITUDE)
- I) LOCATION OF EXPLOSION IN AIRCRAFT BY
  - 1) LATERAL AXIS (E.G., LEFT SIDE, MIDSHIP,  
RIGHT)
  - 2) LONGITUDINAL AXIS (E.G., FRONT, MID, REAR)
  - 3) HEIGHT (E.G., ON DECK, SEAT LEVEL, OR  
HIGHER) RUSH

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